

Board Order ABP-307548-20

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2020 Planning Authority: Dublin City Council Planning Register Reference Number: 4298/19

**Appeal** by Monica Keaney and Family care of Enda Fanning Architect of 'Dúnáras', Whitehall Road, Churchtown, Dublin against the decision made on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020 by Dublin City Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Malclose Limited care of Tom Phillips and Associates, Town Planning Consultants of 80 Harcourt Street, Dublin in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

**Proposed Development:** Retention (apart from at ground floor level) and alteration of the existing part-three and part-four-storey front (south) façade and the demolition of the structures behind (total 928 square metres); and the construction of: a part-four and part-five-storey apartment building (with setbacks at first, third and fourth floor levels) (increasing the height of the existing structures by one storey at Numbers 30-31 and one and part two-storeys at Number 29), to accommodate nine number apartments (one number one bed unit and eight number two bed units) behind the retained front (south) façade including a new façade at ground floor level and alterations to existing opes; and a single storey structure to the rear of the development (84 square metre) to accommodate plant, waste storage areas, storage spaces and bicycle

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parking. The total gross floor area of the proposed development is 1,041 square metres. Pedestrian and bicycle access to the scheme will be from The Coombe. The development will also consist of the provision of: private open spaces in the form of ground floor level terraces (to the rear (north)), and balconies/terraces (to the rear (north)) at first, second, third and fourth floor levels; to the front (south) at third and fourth floor level; and to the side (east) at fourth floor level); a semi-private courtyard at ground level (to the rear (north)); all hard and soft landscaping including boundary treatments; changes in level; surface water attenuation measures; roof plant including PV panels, and all other associated site excavation and site development works above and below ground at a site of 0.0543 hectares (circa 543 square metres) at Numbers 29-31 The Coombe, Dublin. The site is bounded by the rear gardens of Numbers 16-19 Park Terrace to the north; the side of Number 28 The Coombe and the rear gardens of Numbers 8-10 Hanover Street West to the east; The Coombe (road) to the south; and Number 32 The Coombe (a Protected Structure) to the west.

## Decision

GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions set out below.

## **Matters Considered**

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

## **Reasons and Considerations**

Having regard to the nature and scale of the proposed development, the pattern of development in the vicinity, the existing development on site and the policies of the Liberties Local Area Plan (extended 2020) and the Dublin City Development Plan 2016-2022, it is considered that, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, the proposed development would not seriously injure the amenities of the area or of property in the vicinity and would not detract from the character or Conservation Area or the setting of the adjacent Protected Structure. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

## Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, as amended by the further plans and particulars submitted on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of May 2020 and by the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of August 2020, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

 Details, including samples, of the materials, colours and textures of all the external finishes to the proposed development shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

3. Details of the treatment of the communal open space within the proposed development, including those of landscaping, planting, surface and boundary treatments, shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development.

**Reason:** In the interest of residential and visual amenity.

4. Proposals for a building name, unit numbering scheme and associated signage shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, all building and street signs, and unit numbers, shall be provided in accordance with the agreed scheme. No advertisements/marketing signage relating to the name of the development shall be erected until the developer has obtained the planning authority's written agreement to the proposed name.

**Reason:** In the interest of proper planning and orderly development.

5. The management and maintenance of the proposed development, following completion, shall be the responsibility of a legally constituted management company, which shall be established by the developer. A management scheme, providing adequate measures for the future maintenance of the development; including the external fabric of the buildings, internal common areas, landscaping, roads, paths, parking areas, lighting, waste storage facilities and sanitary services, shall be submitted to and agreed in writing with the planning authority, before the proposed development is made available for occupation.

**Reason**: To provide for the future maintenance of this private development in the interest of visual amenity.

6. Notwithstanding the exempted development provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended, no additional plant, machinery or telecommunications structures shall be erected on the roof of the building; or any external fans, louvres or ducts be installed without a prior grant of planning permission.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

 Drainage arrangements, including the disposal of surface water, shall comply with the requirements of the planning authority for such works and services.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

 The applicant or developer shall enter into water and/or waste water connection agreement(s) with Irish Water, prior to commencement of development.

Reason: In the interest of public health.

9. Site development and building works shall be carried out only between the hours of 0700 to 1800 Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 0800 to 1400 hours on Saturdays and not at all on Sundays and public holidays. Deviation from these times will only be allowed in exceptional circumstances where prior written approval has been received from the planning authority.

**Reason:** In order to safeguard the residential amenities of property in the vicinity.

10. Construction and demolition waste shall be managed in accordance with a construction waste and demolition management plan, which shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. This plan shall be prepared in accordance with the "Best Practice Guidelines on the Preparation of Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects", published by the Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government in July 2006. The plan shall include details of waste to be generated during site clearance and construction phases, and details of the methods and locations to be employed for the prevention, minimisation, recovery and disposal of this material in accordance with the provision of the Waste Management Plan for the Region in which the site is situated.

Reason: In the interest of sustainable waste management.

11. A plan containing details for the management of waste (and, in particular, recyclable materials) within the development, including the provision of facilities for the storage, separation and collection of the waste and recyclable materials and for the ongoing operation of these facilities shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority prior to commencement of development. Thereafter, the waste shall be managed in accordance with the agreed plan.

**Reason:** To provide for the appropriate management of waste and, in particular recyclable materials, in the interest of protecting the environment.

- 12. The developer shall facilitate the archaeological appraisal of the site and shall provide for the preservation, recording and protection of archaeological materials or features which may exist within the site. In this regard, the developer shall:
  - notify the planning authority in writing at least four weeks prior to the commencement of any site operation (including hydrological and geotechnical investigations) relating to the proposed development, and
  - (b) employ a suitably-qualified archaeologist prior to the commencement of development. The archaeologist shall assess the site and monitor all site development works.

The assessment shall address the following issues:

(i) the nature and location of archaeological material on the site, and

(ii) the impact of the proposed development on such archaeological material.

A report, containing the results of the assessment, shall be submitted to the planning authority and, arising from this assessment, the developer shall agree in writing with the planning authority details regarding any further archaeological requirements (including, if necessary, archaeological excavation) prior to commencement of construction works. In default of agreement on any of these requirements, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála for determination.

**Reason:** In order to conserve the archaeological heritage of the area and to secure the preservation (in-situ or by record) and protection of any archaeological remains that may exist within the site.

13. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of public infrastructure and facilities benefiting development in the area of the planning authority that is provided or intended to be provided by or on behalf of the authority in accordance with the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

**Reason:** It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Development Contribution Scheme made under section 48 of the Act be applied to the permission.

14. The developer shall pay to the planning authority a financial contribution in respect of LUAS C1 Line Scheme in accordance with the terms of the Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme made by the planning authority under section 49 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. The contribution shall be paid prior to commencement of development or in such phased payments as the planning authority may facilitate and shall be subject to any applicable indexation provisions of the Scheme at the time of payment. Details of the application of the terms of the Scheme shall be agreed between the planning authority and the developer or, in default of such agreement, the matter shall be referred to An Bord Pleanála to determine the proper application of the terms of the Scheme.

**Reason:** It is a requirement of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that a condition requiring a contribution in accordance with the Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme made under section 49 of the Act be applied to the permission.

Maria FitzGerald Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate the seal of the Board

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Dated this

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